

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:524
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DEVELOPMENT OF RURAL AREAS
RAJ NARAIN PASSI

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the various Rural Development programmes financed by the Union Government are being implemented as per the target fixed for each of those programmes;
- (b) if so, whether the Government have made any assessment about the pace of implementation and fulfillment of the target; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

- (a) : Yes, Sir.
- (b) : Yes, Sir.
- (c) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred in Reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 524 due for Answer on 24.4.2001.

The performance of the Implementing Agencies in achieving the financial and physical targets is regularly and systematically monitored by the Ministry of Rural Development through Periodical Progress Reports, visits by Area Officers and Performance Review Committee Meetings. The Minister of Rural Development has recently toured several States for discussions with the Chief Ministers and other authorities in this regard.

Assessments in respect of the pace of implementation and fulfilment of targets are also made, from time to time, through Evaluation and Impact Assessment Studies. The Progress Reports received from the State Governments show that the achievements, in physical and financial terms, vis-a-vis the targets, vary from State to State and from Programme to Programme.